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## VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Kenneth M. Hoyt United States District Judge Southern District of Texas 515 Rusk, Room 11-144 Houston, Texas 77002

Re: Aaron Wilson Garner, et al. v. BP Products North America Inc., C.A. NO. G-07-221, in the United States District Court of the Southern District of Texas, Galveston Division

## Dear Judge Hoyt:

The Plaintiffs appear to have slightly over-estimated prejudgment interest. The discrepancy seems to be the length of accrual. Texas law counts the day of filing, but **not** the day of judgment. See Tex. Fin. Code § 304.104. Assuming a judgment were signed on March 3, 2010 (the date used in the Plaintiffs' calculation), the years of accrual would be as follows:

Plaintiff	Filing	2007	2008	2009	2010	Total
Fernandez	6/8/2007	0.5671	1.0	1.0	0.167 <sup>2</sup>	2.734
Estrada	6/8/2007	0.567	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.734
Guerra	6/8/2007	0.567	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.734
Jefferson	6/8/2007	0.567	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.734
Munoz	6/8/2007	0.567	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.734
Taylor	6/8/2007	0.567	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.734
Pearson	6/29/2007	0.510 <sup>3</sup>	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.677
Cantu	8/6/2007	0.405 <sup>4</sup>	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.573
Fuentes	8/6/2007	0.405	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.573
Mays	8/6/2007	0.405	1.0	1.0	0.167	2.573

This would yield prejudgment interest of:

 $<sup>1 \</sup>quad 207 \text{ days}/365 \text{ days} = 0.567$ 

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  61 days/365 days = 0.167

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  186 days/365 days = 0.510

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  148 days/365 days = 0.405

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Plaintiff	Past Damages	Rate	Years	Interest	Daily Interest
Fernandez	\$9,913.26	5%	2.734	\$1,355.26	\$1.36
Estrada	\$8,337.93	5%	2.734	\$1,139.90	\$1.14
Guerra	\$6,195.35	5%	2.734	\$846.98	\$0.85
Jefferson	\$8,612.00	5%	2.734	\$1,177.37	\$1.18
Munoz	\$29,386.21	5%	2.734	\$4,017.46	\$4.03
Taylor	\$17,297.38	5%	2.734	\$2,364.77	\$2.37
Pearson	\$12,255.45	5%	2.677	\$1,640.22	\$1.68
Cantu	\$6,529.30	5%	2.573	\$839.86	\$0.89
Fuentes	\$6,091.68	5%	2.573	\$783.57	\$0.83
Mays	\$5,917.79	5%	2.573	\$761.21	\$0.81

For the Court's convenience, the final column reflects interest that should be added for the number of days after March 3rd that the judgment is signed.

Very truly yours.

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